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| Mar 29/30 EM | C Yantha D Maloney | R Ferrante L Head | M Pulikunnel J Langabeer | Easter Sunday Apr 19/20 EM Sat Vigil 8pm | MC Shannon S O'Brien 8pm Vigil | J Melbourne L Coffey | M Hamilton R Macaulay |
| Lector | T Shannon | R Pais | M Hamilton | Lector | J O'Brien | A Garland | C Casey |
| Apr 5/6 EM | J Muldoon J O'Neill | P Bellwood BA McGrath | MA Chapelle B Enright-Miller | Apr 26/27 EM | J Mckenna G Iasenza | R Ferrante L Head | M Pulikunnel J Langabeer |
| Lector | R Terpstra | D Bellwood | J Langabeer | Lector | J Andrews | T Barrett | MA Chapelle |
| Apr 12/13 EM | S Langton J Andrews | L DeAraujo S HarttBond | D Hall J Sosiak | May 3/4 EM | M Langille B Prystai | P Bellwood BA McGrath | MA Chapelle B Enright-Miller |
| Lector | J O'Neill | V Williams | H Dean | Lector | M Guay | P Finnigan | J Sosiak |

USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL


Sat. 5:00pm D Maloney, A Bernard, Harold Brennan, _____
 Sun. 9:00am B Brownson, L Coffey, R Brennan, M DeAraujo
 11:00am A McAlpine, R Macaulay, L Enright, M Ewa

USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Sat. 5:00pm J Reed, C Sugden, J Muldoon, _____
 Sun. 9:00am M Finnigan, R Metzloff, B Rivers, _____
 11:00am A Johny, M Saju, G Fair, H Fair

Our **Prayer Network** has more than 100 people praying every day for our parish, for those who are sick and for special intentions. If you would like to have the Prayer Network pray for you or your loved one, call or e-mail the parish office.

*Build God's Church ~ Leave a Legacy
 Please remember St. Joseph Church in your will*

 **Remember in Prayer:** All who are ill, including Maria Andolsek, Nancy Barre, David Bartok, Lynn Barton, Jan Bernard, Darren Borchardt, Theresa Carr, Joan Chesser, Steve Corfe, Maureen Corrigan, Rayne Cote, Cathy Courrier, Marion Dolan, Marleen Donaldson, Holly Finkle, Paul Frechette, Dr. Mary Gwizdal, Jean Haslam, Rosalie Harrison, Mandy Hunt, Noreen Kehoe, Francis Mahoney, Patrick MacKenzie, Laura Medeiros, Kathy Mulder, Timothy Myers, Brenda Nishimura, Tony O'Connor, Bill Oliver, Jeffrey Parsons, Nicholas Pineau, Jack Rizzo, Genevieve Rumsey, Roberto Savini, Barry Smith, Camilla Summers, Adele Murphy Surowiec, Christel Stolpman, Elaine Webb, Joyce Willemson, Cory Young, Marion Yank, Joan, Anna and Lynn. ✚ **Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bill McAuliffe, Heather McGrath, Chris Kelly, Karen McPherson, Theresa Dillio, Brian Whalen, Ron Gregoire, Laura Medeiros, Michael Quigley, James Evans, Christine Bone, Doug Green, Daniel Keere, Father Dan Ryan, Duncan Campbell, Toni Nagode, Theresa Boyd, Valerie Lentini, Darren Denison, Lynn Shoniker, Kathleen Fraser, Rita Dall, Anthony Wood, Dan Duffy, Tom Lally, Larry Lupenette, Joey Thorne and Bill McDermott.**

St. Joseph Church

† Rev. Rod McNeil - Pastor † Bill Garland - Deacon †



**INTENTIONS: for Week of April 6, 2025
 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Saturday 5:00 PM Mariana Pinto
 Sunday 9:00 AM The People of the Parish
 11:00 AM Aline and Dolphe Richard
 3:00 PM Parish Lenten Confessions
 Monday 9:00 AM Kathleen Fraser
 Tuesday 9:00 AM Phero Tien Dinh
 9:30 AM Stations of the Cross
 Wednesday 9:00 AM Theresa Dillio

- No Mass Thursday -

Friday 9:00 AM Francisco Goncalves

**INTENTIONS: for Week of April 13, 2025
 PALM SUNDAY**

Saturday 5:00 PM Deceased Member of the Cairns and Comeau Families
 Sunday 9:00 AM The People of the Parish
 11:00 AM Donna DiGenova

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Sacraments:

Anointing of the Sick - Upon request
 Marriage - at least 6 months' notice
 Baptism - Call Father Rod to arrange
 Reconciliation - Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 pm



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 6, 2025



The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** sets us straight and prepares us to receive communion in a state of grace as Easter is approaching. Lent is a time that calls for continual repentance through fasting, almsgiving and prayer, to move towards a renewal of our baptismal promise which we celebrate at Easter. Therefore, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is an integral part of our preparations. There will be an additional opportunity to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation today, Sunday, April 6th at 3pm** where we will have several priests from the diocese here. This is in addition to the regular confession times of Saturdays from 4:15 to 4:45pm.

Offertory: Mar 23rd - \$ 4,378.00
Diocesan Collections: - \$ 610.00
We can now accept e-transfers at stjosephchurch.payment@gmail.com
Thank you to all who have contributed.

2024 Charitable income tax receipts that were not picked up have been mailed.

Holy Week Schedule

April 17, **Holy Thursday** - 7pm Mass of the Lord's Last Supper
- 8 to 10pm Eucharistic Adoration in the parish centre

April 18, **Good Friday** - 11am Stations of the Cross
- 3pm Solemn Service
- 4 to 5pm Parish Confessions

April 19, **Holy Saturday** - 8pm Easter Vigil

April 20, **Easter Sunday** - 9am Mass - The People of the Parish
- 11am Mass


Please see the sign-up sheet at the north doors to volunteer to read at any of these special Masses




First Holy Communion Enrolment Ceremony Sunday - Is today, **Sunday, April 6 at the 9am Mass**. Children making their **First Communion** will be enrolled in the preparation class for this year. If parents have any questions, they are asked to contact the parish and talk to Fr. Rod or Shelly at sharttbond@hotmail.com




Sign-up for the Mass of the Chrism Bus Trip to Kingston!

The Season of Lent  **Mass of Chrism** will be celebrated at **St. Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday, April 15th at 10:30am**. We have rented a coach bus departing from **St. Joseph Church, Belleville at 9am** and return approximately **1pm**. Limited seats available. See posters on bulletin boards for details and **sign-up sheet** at the main north entryway. We have room for 26 parishioners. This is an opportunity to fulfill some of the requirements to gain the Holy Year indulgence.

 **St. Joseph's CWL** would like to invite our parish congregation to listen to our guest speaker on **Wednesday, April 9th at 7pm** in the parish center. Mr. Sherwin Sam, the manager at Hospice Quinte will speak along with his colleague, the program coordinator regarding their services. We are looking forward to welcoming you to this event.

2025 Sacraments at St. Joseph Church

First Communion Enrolment Ceremony: Today, Sunday, April 6, during the 9am Mass
First Holy Communion: Saturday, May 3, 11:00am
Confirmation Parent Meeting: Tuesday, March 25, 6pm, Registration form and material available at this meeting
Confirmation Retreat: Friday, June 6th, 9am to 3pm
Confirmation: Saturday, June 14, 2025, 11am

 **Development and Peace Caritas Canada: Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.** "As we work together toward a better world, your support strengthens not only our efforts, but the shared hope that we can bring about lasting change through solidarity and love. May we continue to walk together in faith and action, creating a brighter future for all." The Most Rev. Jorge Izaguirre, Bishop of Chosica, outgoing president of CEAS, a partner in Peru. Help create hope for and fulfil the dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to Share Lent collection or online at devp.org/give. **Thank you for your solidarity!**

Dates to Remember


Sunday, April 6th - Cards & Games, 1pm
Tue, April 8th - Knights of Columbus, 7pm
Wed, April 9th - CWL General meeting, 7pm
Wed, April 16th - Faith Study Group, 7 - 8pm
Thu, April 17th - Providence Associates, 10am
April 27th - Hospitality Sunday, after Sunday Masses
Tue, May 6th - St. Vincent de Paul, 9:30am

The Discalced Carmelite Secular Order is open to welcoming new members who would like to deepen their prayer life and to read and study the teachings of the Saints of the Order. Monthly meetings are in Kingston at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. For more information call Catherine, (613)542-7260. We pray especially for priests.



Euchre & Games is starting up again in April 2025. We will meet again this spring - dates are **April 6, May 4 and June 1 at 1pm** in the parish centre.



 **Quinte Right to Life Association** is once again inviting all pro-life supporters in our communities to join other like-minded people from across our country to the "**Annual March for Life**" in Ottawa on **Thursday, May 8th**. We have arranged our travel plans through a reputable local coach company which will take us to and from our destination in comfort. We encourage those of you who plan to join us on this journey for life to reserve your seat(s) without delay. This is an Annual National Pro Life event, where every person will be joined in harmony with others in support of the right to life from conception until natural death. Coach seats are \$35 each. To receive any further information regarding our travel itinerary and bus tickets, please call Roy, (613)968-9602.

Canadian Martyrs Shrine, Midland (by St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston) **July 24-25, 2025** - St. Mary Cathedral parish is organizing a pilgrimage to the Canadian Martyrs Shrine in Midland. Pilgrims will participate in a special evening program at *St. Marie Among the Hurons* Thursday evening, then spend the day at the *Martyrs Shrine* where Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. For further information contact Ann Lyng at ann@stmaryscathedral.ca.



Stretch and Flow Yoga Class - Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4:30pm - St. Joseph parish centre. This one-hour class is designed for people of all ages! Perfect for those who want to add more flexibility and strength into their weekly routine. Led by Olivia, who is a certified instructor, with years of experience. Drop-in fee is \$10 per class or save when you pay \$40 per month. Come and join us every Tuesday & Thursday at 4:30pm. **Don't forget to bring your mat.**

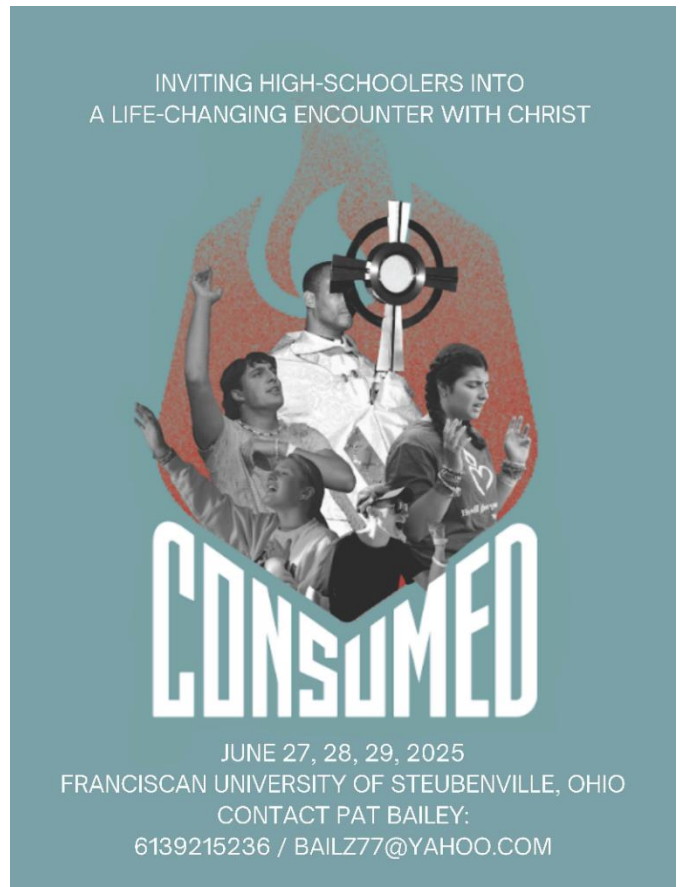
7th Annual Rideau Canal Men's Retreat by canoe and kayak - Tuesday, August 5 - Thursday, August 7.
Theme: Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

For Catholic men (18 years and older, and fathers with teenage sons). The goal is to gather Catholic men in an outdoor adventure / retreat where we can share our faith and enjoy a little male camaraderie. Join us for this time of prayer, daily Mass, opportunities for Confession, and lots of fun, fraternity, exercise, and adventure. Feel free to forward this invitation to them to any men you know who may be interested. Thank you for your consideration. Invitation attached. For details, registration and waiver form, please [visit the event page here](#) or go to <https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/events/7th-annual-rideau-canal-mens-retreat>

Medjugorje Youth Festival - August 1 – August 10, 2025 - This Jubilee Year of Hope pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Bosnia Herzegovina will allow pilgrims (aged 18 + or younger accompanied by a legal guardian) to participate in the annual Youth Festival, August 4 to 8, with young adults and the young at heart including the celebration of Holy Mass at dawn on the top of Cross Mountain. Pilgrims can pass through the Holy Door at St. James Church and spend time in prayer on Apparition Hill and other sites within the parish of Medjugorje. Karen Shannon, Holy Name of Mary Parish, Marysville is the coordinator. She can be reached by email, Karen.Shannon@queensu.ca

Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, Rome and Assisi - Please join Father Justin Pulikunnel and Father Shawn Hughes who will travel **November 5 to November 17** to Europe to receive the great graces of pilgrimage in this Jubilee Year. Please see the attached information and registration forms. For further information please do not hesitate to contact Ann Lyng at ann@stmaryscathedral.ca

Experience the Joy of Life in the Spirit - You are invited to deepen your relationship with God by participating in our Life in the Spirit Seminar, an inspiring eight-week journey to encounter the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. This seminar will help you: Renew and strengthen your faith; Grow in prayer and openness to the Holy Spirit and Experience a deeper sense of community in Christ. Please contact: Claire Marchand (613) 921-2686 or Mary Tobin (905)409-2655 for more information. **When:** Eight Tuesdays afternoons starting **Tuesday, February 25 from 2 to 3:30pm. Where: St. Peter's Parish Hall. Who:** Anyone seeking a closer walk with the Lord **"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful!"**



Communion for the Sick: As part of our parish's outreach to the sick, we bring Holy Communion to people who are unable to make it to Mass. If you or someone you know would like to receive Communion in their home, contact the parish office 613-968-9950.

Spiritual Reflections with Archbishop Mulhall - Wednesdays; 7pm, St. Mary's Cathedral (279 Johnson Street, Kingston). We will be reflecting on the Beatitudes of St. Matthew's Gospel Chapter 5 as well as a series of Psalms of the Old Testament which we pray each day at Mass. We will also give time to the liturgical celebrations of Lent/Easter as we pass through the year. It is good to remember that there is no starting point or end point as in a series of lectures or an academic course. The Lord, in whose presence we will pray together will always provide the grace, consolation, and strength that we need to make steady progress in our life of faith.

Hospice Quinte makes a tremendous impact in our community every day by providing comfort and support for individuals and families living with a terminal illness or coping with grief and loss. Our programs and services are

provided at no charge, and we rely on the generosity of community support and donations to keep providing these vital services. Making a donation to Hospice Quinte's programs and services is the greatest, most meaningful way to say "Thank You!" and to ensure compassionate care remains available at no cost. You can make an online donation to Hospice Quinte in honour of a loved one, or become a lifetime donor, host a fundraiser or provide a "Day of Care". Please visit Hospice Quinte website for more information <https://hospicequinte.ca> By donating, you are enhancing hospice palliative care and bereavement support services for our region.

St. Joseph's Good Works fund is financed by your donations to the parish. Every month 7% of the offertory is deposited to a separate fund and the money is used to support local, national and international charities. We recently made donations to Grace Inn Shelter, Gleaner's Food Bank, Hospice Quinte, St. Joseph School and St. Francis Xavier in Attawapiskat First Nation, (Hearst-Moosonee Diocese). St. Francis is one of the churches that was burnt to the ground in April, 2021 and they have been rebuilding a new church. Thank you everyone, for your generosity which enables us to help others.

A Certificate in Adult Faith Education Beginning April 1, 2025-April 2026 - Online - by Saint Paul University, Ottawa. We are excited to announce a new Certificate Program in Adult Faith Education, starting in April 2025. This program will be offered online, allowing participants from across the country to join. For this first cohort, we have space for 12 participants, who will be supported by an exceptional team of professors and mentors. We anticipate a very enriching experience, but please note that only a few spots remain. Thanks to the generosity of our funders, we are pleased to offer this certificate program at a nominal fee of \$500 for confirmed participants. If you are interested, please contact Carol Kuzmochka via email at ckuzmochka@ustpaul.ca.

Associates of the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul meet on the third Thursday each month at St. Joseph Church, Belleville. Associates are united and inspired by the charism, spirituality and mission of the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul by sharing a common call to compassionate service. Our next meeting is Thurs, April 17th, 2025 at 10am. For more information, phone 613-544-4525 ext 148 or visit www.providence.ca/associates

Parish Council Members:

Pat Finnigan - Chair
Bonnie Molinski - Secretary
Roy Goodridge - Knights of Columbus representative
Jan Sosiak - Catholic Women's League representative
Bill McAuliffe
Harry Holtz
Bob Fair
Mourasia Duffus
Helen Lynn MacIntosh
Lou Vigna
Shelly HarttBond
Patricia Hamilton
Curtis Hayes



Gleaner's Food Bank needs your financial and food donations to provide hope to those in need during these tough times. Please remember there are bins at each of the church doors for **Gleaners** non-perishable food donations. Please be generous to those less fortunate. We must all pull together to fight hunger as food costs continue to rise.

The Franciscans: Is God Calling You? - The Gospel and the "following of Jesus Christ" were not idealistic but rather "dynamic values" for St. Francis and his followers. People inspired by the Gospel values that they saw in Francis wanted to follow him. These values are the substance of Franciscans today: the Poor Clares, the Secular Franciscans (for women and men, single or married) and of the Friars. Is God "calling" you or "inviting you to be a part of the Franciscan mission? Order? Please send an email to Friar Reto Davatz at FrRDavatz@archkingston.ca.

FORMED St. Joseph Church now has access to this Free Catholic Resource! **FORMED** is now **FREE** to everyone within the parish boundaries of St. Joseph Church, our gift to you! Visit: FORMED.org/signup. Type our parish postal code **K8N 2E7** or **St. Joseph Church, Belleville** to bring up our parish name. Click on it. Register your name and email and you are in! This parish-sponsored "**Catholic Netflix**" has approximately 4000 resources for every age. Movies, children's programs, and a wonderful variety of DVDs, audiobooks, ebooks, etc. Check it out! Use your browser, or download the app on Android or Apple devices, Roku, FireTV and Apple TV.

Associates of the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul meet monthly at St. Joseph Church, Belleville. Associates are united and inspired by the charism, spirituality and mission of the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul by sharing a common call to compassionate service. We meet the **3rd Thursday of the month – Sessions will continue in September.** For more info, phone 613-544-4525 ext 148 or visit www.providence.ca/associates

Monthly Meeting for Holy Rosary Franciscan Fraternity - First Thursday of the month: following 5:30 pm Mass at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish (169 North Park Street, Belleville, ON). Come and See! Holy Rosary Franciscan Fraternity gathers monthly on the 1st Thursday, following 5:30pm Mass at Holy Rosary. ALL are welcome!

Parish Finance Committee Members:

Marie Durling
Jack Hanley
Elaine Wilkinson
Denis Hall
Bob Fair
Connie McMann



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul - <https://www.ssvp.ca> - A lay Catholic organization whose mission is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. St. Vincent de Paul store, as well as the committee are in need of volunteers. If you can spare some time on a regular basis, please call the store, (613)966-8005.

Faith on Fire Prayer Weekly Prayer Meetings - The “Faith on Fire” Prayer meetings have resumed on Tuesday evenings and continue weekly from 7 – 8:30pm on Zoom. All are welcome to join us for prayer and teachings as we seek to grow in the Lord. Please email Maame Addai at faithonfirekingston@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College - Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College is a faithfully Catholic liberal arts college in Barry’s Bay, Ontario, offering a three-year Bachelor of Catholic Studies degree. Small class sizes and a strong academic program set students up for success in the classroom and in all future pursuits. Faculty take their Catholic faith seriously and profess an oath of fidelity to the Magisterium of the Church. A vibrant campus life, men’s and women’s residence houses, and ample spiritual opportunities create a Catholic culture that forms the whole person. Students build life-long friendships, and often discern their vocations. The tuition is affordable, and financial aid is available. There are still spots available for 2023-2024! Please visit www.seatofwisdom.ca.

Ministry of Accompaniment - Resources and events supporting the Ministry of Accompaniment can be found on the Archdiocese of Kingston webpage <https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/accompanimentministry>

The Archdiocese of Kingston Announces On-line Support Resources for the following:

WORKSHOPS available from the Archdiocese of Kingston - Children’s Liturgy - Lectors and Communion Ministers - Pastoral Care. Please visit our website romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/religious-education for details on each workshop. **For more information on any of these workshops, please contact Mary-Jo MacKinnon-Simms at religioused@archkingston.ca or by phone at (613)548-4461 ext. 115**

1) **Newman College** offers a number of certificate courses in a virtual format that are open to adults and youth. These courses can be taken individually or as part of Certificate Programme in Catholic Studies. Check out their website for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Mary-Jo Mackinnon- Simms by email at maryjo@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca or call 613-548-4461 extension 115. <https://www.newman.edu/CCS>

2) **The New Directory for Catechesis** was released in 2020. It provides universal guidelines and norms around catechesis and evangelization. It emphasizes the importance that each baptized person has a missionary call to find new ways to communicate the faith through Mercy, Dialogue and Witnessing. Please check out these resources for more info or to order a copy:
https://en.novalis.ca/search?q=The*+New*+Directory*+for*+Catechesis*

The Bishops of Canada, as a tangible expression of their commitment to walk with the Indigenous Peoples of this land along the pathway of hope, are making a nationwide collective financial commitment to support healing and reconciliation initiatives for residential school survivors, their families, and their communities. Please click the links below to read more details about the Apology recently issued and the National Financial Pledge: [CCCB NATIONAL FINANCIAL PLEDGE \(Sept. 27, 2021\)](#) [CCCB APOLOGY TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES \(Sept. 24, 2021\)](#)

If you would like to contribute to St. Joseph Church on a monthly basis by Automatic Debiting of your account please print the form below and attached a VOID cheque and send to St. Joseph Church or drop it in our mailbox at the rectory door. We will set it up for you. Thank you for your support. You can also e-transfer a donation at stjosephchurch.payment@gmail.com

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